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In re Application of:)	Conf. No.: 6540
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Shmuel BEN-SASSON)	Art Unit: 1654
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Appln. No.: 09/736,076)	Examiner: M. Audet
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Filed: December 13, 2000)	Washington, D.C.
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For: SHORT PEPTIDES WHICH)	September 12, 2003
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ACTIVITY OF SERINE/ ...)	

RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This will respond to the official action of August 12, 2003. The examiner has required restriction among the following groups:

Group I: claims 1-39, drawn to a compound (peptides) of varying sequence structure and length;

Group II: claims 40-41, drawn to a method of identifying a peptide; and


Group III: claim 42, drawn to a method of modulating the activity of a peptide.

Applicant here by elects the invention of Group

III.

Respectfully submitted,

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